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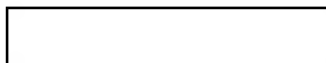
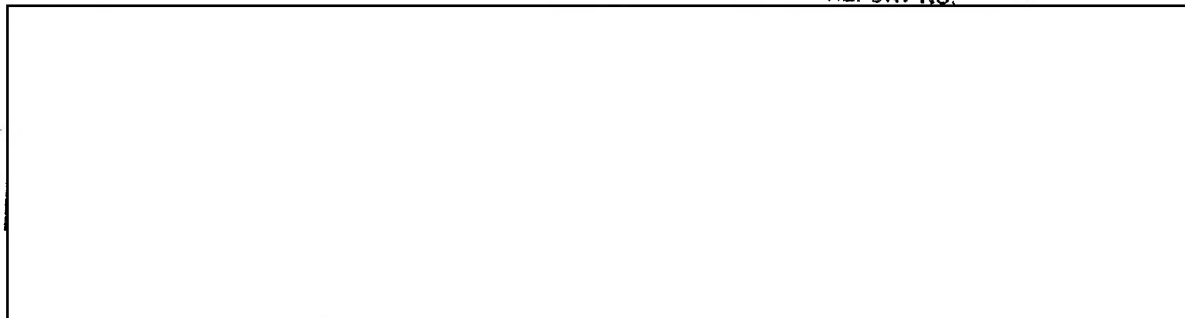
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Military Conference at Yen Bay

- Representatives of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) 304, 308 and 320 Divisions, from the regimental level up, have been summoned to attend a military conference to be held from 1 to 15 October 1951 in the Yen Bay area. The meeting has been called to discuss past engagements in the Delta region and to plan new operations.

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- The 52 Regiment, 320 Division, was in the mountains near My Duc (105-44, 20-42) as of 19 September.
- The 48 Regiment, 320 Division, was deployed along the Song Dien River, north of Hoa Binh, as of 19 September.
- The 312 Division was in the Phu Doan (105-12, 21-37)-Phu Tho-Yen Bay region as of 24 September.
- The "Allied Vietnamese-Laotian Army", which has been organized under the former Commander-in-Chief of Intersector III, General Hoang Sam, is believed to consist only of the newly-formed 306 Division¹. Sam's headquarters is at Bai Thuong (105-22, 19-54), Thua Hoa Province.

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Railway Construction

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the DRV Ministry of Public Works recently ordered a speed up of construction on the Vietnamese portions of the Yen Bay-Mengtzu and Langson-Nanning railways. The portions on the China side of the border have already been completed and the Vietnamese portions are to be finished prior to June 1952. On 10 September an additional labor force, including volunteers from the Delta area and the engineering unit of the 320 Division, was assigned to the Yen Bay-Lao Kay section. The work now underway, which consists only of grading operations and bridge reconstruction, is being directed by Chinese engineers.

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